

Gerry's basking in a blaze of glory

GERRY Van Didden from Fire Protection, pictured here with his prize from Konica and the winning photograph, was delighted to win the CALM photo competition.

The photo of a wildfire near Esperance was taken on January 8 from a fire spotting plane using 200 ASA film.

The fire, caused by a lightning strike on or about December last year, was one of about 18 or so in a belt 500 kilometres long!

The fire pictured was itself about six kilometres long and about three-quarters of a kilometre wide, and the size of the flaming area was estimated to be around 300 hectares.

Gerry estimated that the energy released from the 300 hectares was 44 640 000 kilojoules.

The photo will be published in full colour in a forthcoming issue of *LANDSCOPE*.

Photo by David Gough





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